paid for supply of equipment and services to the Indian contractors by the Steel Authority of India Limited for modernisation of Durgapur Steel Plant;

(b) what is the value of orders and the quantum of advance in terms of percentage of the orders placed on Birla Technical Services for the above project;

(c) what is the total number of mangement personnel allocated by Birla Technical Services for work at Durgapur Steel Plant and the length of their employment with Birla Technical Services as on January, 1, 1990; and

(d) whether all the sub-contractors of Birla Technical Services had been approved by the consultants of Durgapur Steel plant when the orders were placed on them?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI) : (a) For the global packages under the Durgapur Steel Plant modernisation project, Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL) have reported to have advanced the sums to Indian contractors equal to 20% and 10% when the value of contract was more than Rs. 100 crores and less than Rs. 100 crores respectively. For the indigenous packages the advanced amount has been reported to have varied from 5% to 10 %of the value of the contract depending upon its magnitude.

(b) The total value of orders on M/s. Birla Technical Services is Rs. 461·60 crores. Advance of 20% of the total value has been reported by SAIL to have heen paid to them.

(c) 67 Management personnel have been reported to have been allotted by M/s. BTS for Durgapur Steel Plant modernisation works. Information on their length of service with the Birla Technical Services is not available with Government.

(d) Yes, Sir.

Fishery yield potential in the exclusive Economic Zone area

463. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether exploitation of 200 mile Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) which has a fishery yield potential of 4 million tonnes, is one of the major areas for increasing not only the output but also exports from this sector;

(b) if so, what concessions are being given to fully tap this potential; and

(c) what is the year-wise achievement in the feep sea fishing sector in terms of value for the five years period ending 31st March, 1989?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The concessions given to deep sea fishing industry for exploitation of fishery resources are :—

(i) Provision of 33% subsidy on the cost of indigenously constructed deep sea fishing vessels.

(ii) Provision of soft loan facilities by Shipping Credit and Investment Co. of India Limited.

(iii) Construction of fishing harbour at major and minor ports.,

(iv) Reduction of dutires in respect of equipment for food processing industries.

(c) The exports of marine products in terms of value for five years period ending 31st March, 1989 is given below :—

Year	(Rs. in crores)
1984-85 . . .	384.29
1985-86 . . .	398.00
1986-87 . . .	460.67
1987-88 . . .	531.20
1988-89 . . .	597.85

Spending money in a Parliamentary constituency as per local M.P.'s Suggestion

464. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE :
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN :
SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether he has received any suggestion as reported in the Hindustan Times of 1st April, 1990 from a Member of the Parliament that Rs. 815 crores be provided for the 543 Parliamentary constituencies, wherein money would be spent by the concerned Government agencies but the projects would be as per the suggestions of the local M.P. in the fields of agriculture, rural sanitation, seed processing and storage facilities control of desertification dry land farming afforestation, slum improvement, drinking water supply, health clinics etc; and

(b) if so, what is Government's response thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) A suggestion has been received from some Members of Parliament that Rs. two crores may be allocated for each Parliamentary constituency for undertaking development works on the suggestions of the concerned Members.

(b) As decentralised Planning, particularly the area development concept catches on, comp rehensive attention to the requirements in each Panchayat/Mandal Panchayat /Zila Parishad will become an integral part of planning. The present Planning Commission is working towards this goal. It is not considered either advisable or feasible to make budget provision on a Constituency basis separately.

Refinancing of co-operative banks by NABARD

465. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that NABARD has extended certain relaxations to enable the cooperative banks to go ahead with refinancing during the ensuing kharif season ; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) and (b) Seasonal Agricultural Operation (SAO) loans are advanced normally to non-defaulting members of the Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies on the condition that the borrower should repay the same on due date i.e. either by the end of February or end of May for Kharif and Rabi crops, respectively. Further the Central Cooperative Banks (CCBS) are expected to recover 30% of the total